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SUBJECT: TFIZ01: KUWAIT OIL UPDATE -- APRIL 02, 2003

REF: KUWAIT 1195 AND PREVIOUS

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- 11. (S/NF) Post has investigated rumors of an explosion and fire at the Rawdatain oil field in northern Kuwait, and found them to be untrue. KPC and U.S. military sources confirm that an apparent Iraqi missile did recently land in an unpopulated area south of the Rawdatain and west of the Sabriya fields, but the impact had no effect on oil facilities or operations.
- 12. (C) Post is also investigating unconfirmed reports of an unscheduled shutdown of Gathering Center 20 in the Wafra field (shared with Saudi Arabia). There is nothing to suggest at this point that the shutdown is serious or long lasting.
- 13. (C) Following is the unedited data set provided by the Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) production on April 2, 12003. Explanatory comments follow at para 4.

(Begin Report)

Kuwait Petroleum Corporation Daily Crude Production All figures in bbls

This report covers activities from 0500 4/01/03 to 0500 4/02/03

Total Kuwait

Production 2,374,703

KOC Proper:

1,280,001 South East: 357,847 West: 433,073 North: Total: 2,070,921

Wafra Joint Operations:

R/B to KOC R/B to KNPC 5,368 R/B to SAT R/B total 122,524 Eocene 39,258

KGOC:

120,500 Khafji 21,500 Hout

2,178,491 (API 30.7, Salt PTB 19.3) KEC Receipt KEC Stock 5,344,539

KEC Ullage 8,849,192

(End Report)

2.(C) Explanatory Comments:

Wafra Joint Operations refer to onshore concessions in Saudi-Kuwait divided zone operated by Saudi Arabian Texaco (SAT). R/B refers to the two producing reservoirs -- Ratawi and Burgan.

KOC is Kuwait Oil Company

KNPC is Kuwait National Petroleum Corporation

KGOC is the Kuwaiti successor to Arabian Oil Company (AOC), which previously operated a concession in the offshore portions of the Saudi-Kuwait divided zone. AOC still operates the fields under a service agreement.

KEC refers to Kuwait Export Crude, the country's export blend. Salt PTB refers to pounds of salt per thousand barrels of crude oil.

13. (SBU) NOTE: Post continues to distribute these sitreps via SIPRNet e-mail to interested readers. To be added to the list, send a request via SIPRNet e-mail to

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